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For: ***CELL GROWTH SUBSTRATES WITH TETHERED CELL GROWTH EFFECTOR MOLECULES***

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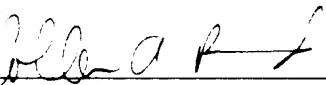
Sir:

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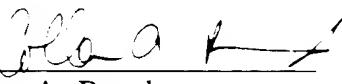
  
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